Idaho Fish and Game Commission Special March 29, 2006 Fish and Game Headquarters Boise, ID

Present in the Director's Office: Director Steven Huffaker; Terry Mansfield, Deputy Director and Mary Boyer, Administrative Assistant.

A special meeting of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission was held by telephone conference. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Cameron Wheeler at 8:00 a.m. with Commissioners Alex Irby, Wayne Wright, Gary Power, Marcus Gibbs and Tony McDermott.

LEGISLATION

Legislative Update

Director Huffaker reviewed Legislative bills that had been through Committee. He stated that the Department had eight bills this year and seven of them were passed into Legislation. A total of 25 pieces of Legislation were tracked by the Department this year, and 22 were decided the way the Commission had advocated. Overall this was a good session and things went well for the Department.

 HB 523 surcharge for bonus points was held in the Senate Resource Committee on Monday. Chairman Schroeder did not ask for any testimony on the bill and a motion was made by Senator Brandt and seconded by Senator Langhorst to hold the bill in Committee.

Chairman Wheeler asked that the Commission discuss bonus points at the May Commission meeting.

Chairman Wheeler stated that he was very pleased with the way the Legislative updates and information to the Commissioners were handled this year. The Commission is pleased with the work Sharon Kiefer and the Department have done and expresses their appreciation.

Director Huffaker noted that this is the last call scheduled for Legislative updates.

Adjournment 8:15 a.m.